IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH,

AT HYDERABAD

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S. RAO

W.P. No. 20634 OF 2005

Date: 27.09.2005

BETWEEN:

P. Gangadhar Reddy

.... PETITIONER

Vs.

1. The District Collector, Nalgonda District, and others.

.... RESPONDENTS

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S. RAO

WRIT PETITION NO. 20634 OF 2005

ORDER:

The petitioner is resident of Peddabavi Gudem in Nalgonda District. He is allegedly the owner of the land comprised in S.Nos.12 and 13 admeasuring about Acs.2.47. He statedly dug a bore-well in the said land for irrigating his lands. On 2.7.2005 he gave a complaint to the third respondent stating that the fourth respondent dug a bore-well on 20.6.2005 in the land comprised in S.No.17 at a distance of 10 to 15 meters to the petitioner's bore-well. On 8.7.2005 the third respondent submitted an offence report under Rule 25(1) of the Andhra Pradesh Water, Land and Trees Rules, 2002 (for short 'the Rules'), but further action was not taken. The petitioner also made a complaint to the Sub Inspector of Police, Narketpalli for appropriate action against the fourth respondent. The petitioner also approached respondents 1 and 2 for redressal, in vain. Therefore, he filed the present writ petition seeking a direction to the respondents to take action against the fourth respondent as per the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Water, Land and Trees Act, 2002.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Assistant Government Pleader

for Revenue (General). A perusal of the record would show that the Mandal Revenue Officer initiated action against the fourth respondent and recorded offence report under Rule 25(1) of the Rules. Therefore, it would be proper for the authorities; the third respondent herein to see that necessary action should be taken on the complaint of the petitioner in accordance with law. Therefore, the Writ Petition is disposed of at the admission stage directing the third respondent to take action against the fourth respondent in accordance with law within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

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(**V.V.S. RAO, J.)**

27th September, 2005

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